January 29, 2019

ICARC NEWSLETTER

Officers for 2018:
President - Doug Fitzsimmons K3LAB
Vice President - Ernest Clark KC3FVX
Treasurer - Terry Carnahan KB3JOD
Secretary - Chris Edwards N3VFK

Additional Board Members for 2018:
1. Dave Dzelsky N3DZ
2. Craig Bigler AB3XA
3. Jerry Kiehl WB3DUD
4. Cass Fitzgerald, N3FLO
5. Larry Freeman N3LT

LOCAL HAPPENINGS:

Reminder, the January 1, 2019 meeting will be held on January 15.

There were 8 folks attending breakfast at Eat n' Park on Saturday, December 29, 2018. That is a recent record. We have been getting from 1 to 4 attendees in recent months.

NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL HAPPENINGS:

As most of you may know by now, the ARRL has a new CEO. Howard E. Michel, WB2ITX. He has an interesting story to tell of his early involvement in ham radio as a young boy. It may ring home for many of us. See page 9 of the December, 2018 issue of QST.

OTHER INFORMATION

Reminder: Read the minutes of the December 2018 meeting at the end of this document. (Courtesy of Secretary, Chris Edwards- N3VFK)

Reminder: The new county repeater, WB3CGY, is operational. The frequency pair is 146.745/146.145 and the PL tone is 131.8. The repeater is now operating at high power, with a 1.5 s hang-time and a courtesy tone.

Reminder: Club dues for the new year are now due. The form may be downloaded from the W3BMD website.

Reminder: Several ICARC members meet every Saturday moring for breakfast in the back room of the Indiana Eat n' Park restaurant.

If anyone would like to include information or write an article for the Newsletter please let Larry Freeman, know by email at: wd4hoz@gmail.com .The only caveats are: The editor reserves the right to alter the format for publication purposes. The content may also be modified contingent upon accuracy and appropriateness of the contained material. The latter would, of course, be subject to the approval of the original author.

Indiana County Amateur Radio Club

Minutes of the Monthly Meeting 12/04/18

The meeting was called to order at 7:30pm by Club President Doug Fitzsimmons with the Pledge of Allegiance & Roll Call. There were no minutes read of the November meeting due to the Secretary's illness. The Treasurer Terry Carnahan read the financial report. A motion was made to accept the report & it was seconded & approved.

<u>Monday night net report:</u> A big thanks was given to net control operators Phil Kopczyk on 11/12 to Jerry Kiehl on 11/19. A net control operator is needed for 12/10. Jerry said he would do it. There will not be a net on Christmas or New Year's eve. Starting in January,(Jan. 7th) the first Monday of each month the net will be held on the Blue Spruce Repeater, this is the Indiana County Emergency Repeater. 146.745. Weeks two, three, & four the net will be held on the club repeater 146.915. This schedule will be in effect for the year.

<u>Old Business:</u> Election of 2019 Officers. A motion was made to go with one vote. A motion was made to accept this & was approved. Officers are; President Doug Fitzsimmons K3LAB. Vice President Harry Dushac K3FSE. Treasurer Terry Carnahan KB3JOD. Secretary Chris Edwards N3VFK. The Board of Directors. Dave Dzelsky N3DZ. Jerry Kiehl WB3DUD. Larry Freeman N3LT. Past President Craig Bigler AB3XH. Trustee Cass Fitzgerald N3FLO. A motion was made to accept by Alton Strong & was seconded by Fred Maize. All approved. The members wished to thank outgoing Vice President Ernest Clark for his service.

<u>New Business:</u> Some suggestions were made on how to improve interest in the club. They were:
1. Have demonstrations at the meetings of different modes of operation & techniques.
2. Using email & Facebook for questions on the hobby.
3. Have question and answer sessions after the net on Monday nights.

The club repeater was down due to malfunctions in the controller. Port 1 is inoperative so the repeater was moved to another functioning port. Also the repeater will be relocated about four months from now to the county 911 center.

<u>End of Business</u>: A motion was made to adjourn the meeting & the meeting was adjourned at 8:25pm

Attendance: 15

Terry Carnahan KB3JOD	**Bill McMillen N3QM**
Ernest Clark KC3FVX	**Walter Schroth KC3FVU**
Doug Fitzsimmons K3LAB	**Fred Maize KM3M**
Paul Morris K3VAR	**Corey Sarka KC3MKX**
Harry Dushac K3FSE	**Mark Strawcutter KC3MLA**
Dave Dzelsky N3DZ	**Alton Strong N3PHL**
Jerry Kiehl WB3DUD	**Marcia Malcolm KD4ITP**
Phil Kopczyk K3JP	